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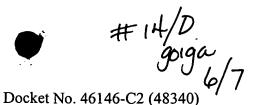
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# **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This communication is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated November 25, 2002 (Paper No. 8). A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a request for an appropriate extension of time are being submitted on even date herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

### IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 29-31, 35-37, 43-48, 52, 56, 64, 65, 70, and 77-87 without prejudice. Please amend claims 53, 55 and 66-76 as follows: